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Ralph Oman Is Named New Register of Copyrights

Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin has announced the appointment of Ralph Oman, chief counsel of the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Patents, Copyrights and Trademarks, as the new Register of Copyrights effective September 23. Mr. Oman, whose appointment follows a nationwide search for a new Register, succeeds David L. Ladd, who resigned in January. Associate Librarian of Congress Donald C. Curran has been serving as acting Register during the interim.

Ralph Oman

Born in Huntington, N.Y., on July 1, 1940, Mr. Oman received a bachelor of arts degree in history from Hamilton College in 1962 and a doctor of laws degree in corporate and international law from Georgetown University in 1973. He also received a diploma from the Sorbonne in Paris in 1961 and attended Columbia University in 1964. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and the Supreme Court Bar and of the American and District of Columbia Bar Associations.

Mr. Oman has worked since 1975 in all major aspects of copyright law. As chief minority counsel for the Subcommittee on Patents,

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Copyrights and Trademarks, he helped draft the language and negotiate the compromises that resulted in the passage of the landmark Copyright Act of 1976. In his present position, to which he was named in 1977, he supervises the staff of the committee; prepares legal analyses and legislative proposals, speeches, and articles; and keeps track of the legislative calendar and proposed legislation. He participates in the subcommittee's oversight responsibility for the Copyright Office, the Patent and Trademark Office, and the Copyright Royalty Tribunal.

Mr. Oman's other experience includes service as a trial attorney from 1974 to 1975 and again in 1977 with the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division, where, among other duties, he participated in an investigation of international activities of the major oil companies. He served with the U.S. Department of State as a foreign service officer from 1962 to 1964, press aide to Senator Hugh Scott in 1970, and as legislative aide to Senator William Roth in 1972. Following law school, Mr. Oman served as law clerk to the Honorable C. Stanley Blair, U.S. District Court, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Oman has addressed numerous legal and scholarly audiences on the subject of copyright and has been a guest lecturer at the New York University Law School Advanced Copyright Seminar. His professional writings include "Copyright Developments in the 98th Congress," published in the January 1985 issue of *The Federal Bar News & Journal.* In addition he has been the executive editor of *Law and Policy in International Business.*

Mr. Oman served with the U.S. Navy as a naval flight officer from 1965 to 1970 and again in the summer of 1971 as a lieutenant commander, flying antisubmarine patrols in the North Atlantic as well as surveillance patrols in the Mediterranean and Straits of Gibraltar. Decorated several times for his service in Vietnam, he is a captain in the Naval Reserve.

Mr. Oman is married to the former Anne K. Henehan of Cranford, N.J. They have three daughters. The Omans live in Washington, D.C.

The Register of Copyrights is responsible for administering the copyright law in the public interest, advising the Congress concerning copyright matters, serving as principal advisor to the U.S. Government on national and international copyright matters, accepting or rejecting claims to copyright, and managing the Copyright Office, one of the principal departments of the Library of Congress.

In announcing the appointment, Dr. Boorstin acknowledged the assistance of a search committee of outside experts and expressed his appreciation for this public service. The chairman of the search committee was Dan Lacy, special consultant to McGraw-Hill, Inc. The other committee members were Stanley M. Gortikov, president of the Recording Industry Association of America, Inc., and chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Copyright Council, and Robert Wedgeworth, former executive director of the American Library Association. The search committee provided The Librarian with a list of highly qualified candidates for the position, including Mr. Oman.

The Library followed its merit selection procedures in filling the vacancy.

Mary Ison Named Head of Reference Section in Prints and Photographs

As the newly appointed head of the Prints and Photographs Reading Room, Mary Ison oversees the

Mary Ison and Leroy Bellamy, reference librarian, look for early pictures of Gatling guns, in answer to a researcher's request.

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

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STAFF NEWS

Staff Members Are Awarded Affirmative Action Fellowships

Largest Number Awarded in the History of the Program

Affirmative Action selection panels recently designated 90 staff members to receive affirmative action fellowships for fiscal year 1985. The fellowships, which carry a stipend of up to $1,200 for tuition and books, went to 64 employees studying in undergraduate fields and 26 studying at the graduate level. The affirmative action fellowship panels were chaired by Olga Padilla and included Philip Melzer representing AFSCME Local 2910, Norman Middleton of AFSCME Local 2477, and Bernard Clinton and Candy Barksdale representing Library management. The candidates impressed the panels with their motivation and serious commitment to their goals. A group of fellowship recipients is pictured below, followed by the complete list of names, divisions, and areas of study or their chosen careers.

Name	*Division*	*Career Field*
Janish N. Anderson	Office of the Law Librarian	Administrative Officer
Ella S. Arterberry	African and Middle Eastern Division	Librarian
Paul Q. Baker, Jr.	Serial and Government Publications Division	Social Science Analyst
Kim B. Black	Hispanic Division	Computer Science Specialist
Karen J. Bland	Office of the Law Librarian	Computer Science Analyst
Janet C. Brown	Descriptive Cataloging Division	Copyright Specialist
Kevin Brown	Collections Management Division	Social Science Analyst
Gwenevere Bryant	Records Management Division	Administrative Officer
Carolyn P. Buchanan	Catalog Management and Publication Division	Social Science Analyst
Russell J. Buffaloe	Automated Systems Office	Computer Science Analyst
Deloris Butler	Loan Division	Computer Science Specialist

Name	*Division*	*Career Field*
Beverly A. Campbell	American Law Division	Computer Science Specialist
Linda J. Carr	Recruitment and Placement Office	Social Science Analyst
Edward T. Carter	Buildings Management Division	Administrative Officer
Rose B. Carter	MARC Editorial Division	Computer Science Specialist
Priscilla D. Cash	Automated Systems Office	Administrative Officer
Devita Chapman	Exchange and Gift Division	Computer Science Specialist
Lisa W. Cockran	Acquisitions and Overseas Operations	Administrative Officer
Sibyl F. Cole	Prints and Photographs Division	Copyright Examiner
Marsha A. Collins	Recruitment and Placement Office	Administrative Officer
Herbert W. Connell	Federal Research Division	Administrative Officer
Daryle B. Dade	Office of the Law Librarian	Administrative Officer
Claude P. David	Buildings Management Division	Administrative Officer
James K. Davis	Automated Systems Office	Computer Science Specialist
William T. Elliby	Library Services Division	Computer Science Specialist
Teresa J. Gantt	Congressional Reference Division	Computer Science Specialist
Patricia L. Garrison	Personnel and Labor Relations Office	Computer Science Specialist
Linda D. Gaskins	Serial Record Division	Computer Science Specialist
Joan C. Georges	Preservation Office	Administrative Officer
Olivia D. Glover	Health Services Office	Technical Information Specialist
Cornelia O. Goode	Subject Cataloging Division	Administrative Officer
Denise J. Gravely	National Referral Center	Administrative Officer
David A. Green	Acquisitions and Processing Division	Social Science Analyst
Henry L. Hargrove, Jr.	Library Services Division	Administrative Officer
Susan L. Harley	Examining Division	Administrative Officer
Leslie E. Hawkins	Records Management Division	Copyright Specialist
Patricia Hawkins	Office of the Assistant Librarian for Processing Services	Administrative Officer
Franchesca M. Hebron	Collections Management Division	Copyright Examiner
Angela L. Herron	MARC Editorial Division	Social Science Analyst
Ernest B. James	Collections Management Division	Computer Science Specialist
Carol Johnson	Prints and Photographs Division	Librarian
Carolyn E. Johnson	Foreign Affairs and National Defense Division	Administrative Officer
Janice Johnson	Cataloging Distribution Service	Computer Science Specialist
Felicia A. Jones	Examining Division	Computer Science Specialist
Marcella Jones	Serial Record Division	Computer Science Specialist
Mary B. Jordan	Library Services Division	Administrative Officer
Ellen O. Key	Library Services Division	Administrative Officer
Renee A. Kolbe	Internal Audit Office	Administrative Officer
Clifton F. Knight	Exchange and Gift Division	Administrative Officer
Doris E. Lee	Prints and Photographs Division	Administrative Officer
Derrick Marshall	Binding Office	Computer Science Specialist
Phyllis M. Martin	Serial Record Division	Social Science Analyst
Christopher R. Mathias	Binding Office	Librarian
Bernice H. Matthews	Preservation Microfilming Office	Technical Information Specialist
Terrie V. Matthews	Office of the Associate Librarian	Administrative Officer
Kathleen C. McDonough	Office of Assignment, Reference and Special Services	Librarian
Dennis M. McGovern	Cataloging in Publication Division	Librarian
Larry Nunley	Government Division	Social Science Analyst
Peter G. Orr	Subject Cataloging Division	Librarian
Anthony R. Padua	Collection Management Division	Computer Science Specialist
Luy Gia Pham	American-British Law Division	Foreign Affairs Analyst
Beverly C. Pogue	Serial Record Division	Social Science Analyst
Keri L. Price	Exchange and Gift Division	Librarian
Marian I. Price	American Law Division	Administrative Officer
Lowell W. Prout	Serial and Government Publications Division	Social Science Analyst
Debbie L. Reed	Photoduplication Service	Librarian
Sherry A. Robinson	Copyright Office	Computer Science Specialist

Edward D. Rogers	Serial and Government Publications Division	Administrative Officer
Robert Roth	Shared Cataloging Division	Librarian
Leslie E. Russ	Library Services Division	Computer Science Specialist
Patricia A. Simms	Photoduplication Service	Copyright Examiner
Ben Silverstein	Descriptive Cataloging Division	Librarian
Joyce M. Stewart	Central Services Division	Copyright Examiner
Richard F. Strick, Jr.	Examining Division	Copyright Examiner
Ann D. Sullivan	Subject Cataloging Division	Librarian
Betty J. Sullivan	Personnel and Labor Relations Office	Administrative Officer
Cheryl Talley	Library Services Division	Computer Science Specialist
Albert S. Taylor III	MARC Editorial Division	Administrative Officer
Christine H. Thrash	Cataloging Distribution Service	Computer Programmer
Leon Turner, Jr.	Library Services Division	Administrative Officer
Mary A. Urka	National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	Librarian
Cheryl D. Walker	Federal Research Division	Administrative Officer
Alvin J. Wallace	Catalog Management and Publication Division	Social Science Analyst
Janafur M. Williams	MARC Editorial Division	Administrative Officer
Kimberly P. Willie	Office of Management and Administrative Services	Administrative Officer
Ellen D. Wilson	Federal Research Division	Administrative Officer
Carol L. Winfree	Federal Research Division	Administrative Officer
Ruby Woodard	Cataloging in Publication Division	Librarian
Christine Yates	Acquisitions and Processing Division	Computer Programmer
Francis S. Yates	Central Services Division	Computer Programmer

Lettie T. Battle Retires After More than 27 Years of Federal Service

Lettie T. Battle (opposite), a library technician in the Processing and Reference Section of the Serial Record Division, retired on March 29 after more than 27 years of Federal service. Except for brief periods at the Veterans Administration and the Bureau of the Census, Mrs. Battle's government career was with the Library of Congress.

In 1960, she joined the staff of the Serial Record Division as an accessioner. During the following years, she earned promotions to the positions of senior accessioner, reference assistant, and library technician.

Mrs. Battle was honored on March 29 at a retirement party attended by family members and more than 150 of her friends and colleagues. A program of brief comments delivered by Dorothy J. Glasby, assistant chief of the Serial Record Division; Suanne Thamm, section head of Processing and Reference; Billie Bell, retired assistant section head of Processing and Reference; and Georgia Whitted of the Serial Record Division was followed by a gift presentation. String bass player Milton Collins of the Serial Record Division and pianist Albert Jones provided music for the occasion.

Known among staff members for her warm, reassuring manner, Mrs. Battle looks forward to devoting more time to travel and involvement in church activities. She will be missed by her many friends at the Library of Congress.

Library Will Observe Labor Day

In accordance with the provisions of the law, the Library of Congress will observe Monday, September 2, as a holiday. All reading rooms and study facilities will be closed.

On Saturday, August 31, and Sunday, September 1, the Library will provide its usual weekend service.

The principal exhibition halls in the Jefferson and Madison Buildings will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on August 31 and September 1 and 2.

Join LCPA for WETA-TV Drive

The Library of Congress Professional Association is looking for volunteers for the WETA public television membership drive at the station in Arlington, Va., on Tuesday, August 27, from 7 p.m. to midnight. Contact Terri Mastrorocco, ext. 76787.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Douglas Adolphsen, library technician, GT-4, Photodup, 50254; Robert Lenaghan, research analyst, GS-9, FRD, 40275; Michelle McPhatter, library technician, GS-3, Ser, G1030.

Temporary Appointments: Jerome Caldwell, library aid, GS-3, Col Mgmt, G114F; Jerrold Davis, library technician, GT-5, P&P, NP; Cheryl Jackson, library aid, GS-2, Col Mgmt, G115C; Cecilia Westray, clerk/typist, GS-5, LR, NP.

Promotions: Cynthia Castler, to supply clerk, GS-5, P&S, 50233; Robert Roth, to library technician, GS-9, Share Cat, 50280.

Resignations: LaShonne Cain, Res; Charida Cowans, Afr/ME; Sandra Daniel, Cop Exam; Jacqueline Harris, NLS/BPH; Wayne Johnson, Photodup; Margaret Morrison, GRR; Rudolph Quarles, Jr., CRS E; Lynn Ramey, AL/NP; Stephanie Redfearn, Cop Exam; Benjamin Reed, Cop Acq & Proc; Grace Reed, Cop Reg; Ronald Robinson, Spec Pol; Victoria Tucker, G&M.

Correction: In the August 5 **Personnel Changes** (appointment of Helen Danchenko in the Hispanic Law Division), Mrs. Danchenko's last name was inadvertently misspelled.

Staff Carpool Locator

Barbara Christy of the Geography and Map Division, ext. 78515, is seeking additional riders/drivers for a carpool coming from the Rolling Rd., Burke, Annandale, Va., area. Members are currently on compflex schedule D, from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., but are open to change.

Bebe Nave of the Photoduplication Service, ext. 71644, is seeking riders/drivers for a carpool coming from the Prince Frederick, Md., Rt. 4 extended area. She is on a flexitime schedule.

Liz Quade of the Office of the Associate Librarian, ext. 71544, would like to join a carpool originating from the Bryans Rd., Md., area. She is on a flexitime schedule.

Ronell Jenkins of the Loan Division assists Dennis James of the Photoduplication Service at the Loan Division's new charge desk in the Madison Building. Library staff members and special borrowers are asked to charge and return books at this charge station, located in room LM G39, in the blue core. The charge desk hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for holidays.

reference services of a vast collection that includes documentary photographs, architectural and engineering materials, posters, fine prints, popular and applied graphic art, and master photographs. Ms. Ison assumed the position of head of the reading room in May.

Ms. Ison received a bachelor's degree in art history in 1974 from the University of Maryland. She completed a master's degree in library science in 1979 at Catholic University and is currently working on a master's degree in American studies at the University of Maryland.

She is a member of the Society of Architectural Historians, the Art Libraries Society of North America, and the Association of Architectural Librarians. She edits the quarterly newsletter of COPAR (Cooperative Preservation of Architectural Records) and has published articles and book reviews in the Special Libraries Association's *Picturescope,* the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress,* and the *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians.*

CDS to Distribute Machine-Readable Subject Authorities

The Cataloging Distribution Service of the Library of Congress is currently developing a subscription service to MARC Distribution Service—Subject Authorities. Although both name/series and subject authorities are accommodated in the same USMARC authorities format, subject authorities will be distributed in the new service now being developed, and name/series authorities will continue to be distributed via MDS—Name Authorities.

When MDS—Subject Authorities begins, a cumulated master file of approximately 137,000 subject authority records in the USMARC authorities format will be distributed initially. This base file will contain all machine-readable subject authority records available at the time the distribution service goes into production. The regular weekly distribution service will consist of current authority work completed by the Subject Cataloging Division. New, changed, and deleted records will be distributed as full records according to the usual pattern for other CDS distribution services.

The Library of Congress control numbers of records in the new cumulative master file will be different from those previously distributed. However, unlike previous versions of the master file, a control number will now be permanently assigned to each record and will conform to the standard Library of Congress control number practice. These control numbers will each carry the prefix "shβ". Records in the new cumulated file will not use any superseded numbers from previously distributed cumulations in the 001 or 010 field.

Under current policy, authority records are created only for those heading and heading-subdivision combinations which are to be printed in *Library of Congress Subject Headings.* Records are not created for every unique heading-subdivision combination assigned to a bibliographic record. Categories which currently are not printed and for which no MARC subject authority records are created are: (1) names of persons, unless used as a pattern or example, or unless a subdivision must be printed; (2) names of corporate bodies and jurisdictions, unless used as a pattern or example, or unless a subdivision must be printed; (3) headings incorporating freefloating subdivision, unless needed for use as a reference to another heading, or followed by a nonfreefloating subdivision; (4) phrase headings created by incorporating freefloating terms (e.g., . . . Region, . . . Valley, . . . in art, . . . in literature).

For categories 1 and 2 above, name authority records are created and distributed in MDS—Name Authorities. Authority records will be created for some categories of headings not printed in the past (e.g., systematic names in botany and zoology), when they are needed for new cataloging. Many headings were made incorrect by the adoption of AACR 2 (e.g., geographic names). Most of these incorrect headings have been removed from the file. Authority records for replacement headings in correct form are created only when the headings are needed for new cataloging.

The file will not contain records for subdivisions. The USMARC authorities format does not allow encoding of records for subdivisions. No Library of Congress policy has been developed for any possible future implementation of subdivision records. Records for non-Library of Congress authority systems (e.g., MESH, NAL, NLC) will not be included. The Library will not maintain authority records for Library of Congress juvenile headings as part of its internal automated authority system. Printed lists of these headings will be available. The headings will continue to be used in bibliographic records in the Annotated Card program.

Deleted subject authority records (Record Status "d") will contain field 682, "Deleted Heading Information," when additional information is deemed necessary to explain the reason for the cancellation. Record Status values of "s" and "x" will not be implemented. Coding in the 4xx and 5xx control $w byte 0 for "related" and "broader" terms for authority records in the master file will be done, based on the reference structure at the time of Library of Congress' internal file conversion. However, the coding of some "broader" and "related" term references may require reconsideration on a case-by-case basis. "Narrower" term references will not be carried in Library of Congress subject authority records. No Dewey Decimal

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Tuesday, August 27

☐ Anna Keller, Microform Reading Room, will address the subject of labor, in honor of Labor Day. Special Interest Group on American Studies. LC Professional Association. Room LM 642, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

☐ "Adverse Action Procedures," Margaret Cox, assistant counsel for personnel. This talk continues one given in May. Special Interest Group for Managers. LC Professional Association. Room LM 403, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Tuesday, September 3

☐ "An Update on New Global Developments in the Area of Cataloging and Bibliographic Control, 'From those same folks who brought you AACR 2,' " Lucia Rather, director for cataloging, Processing Services. Special Interest Group on Library Science. LC Professional Association. Room LM 642, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

☐ "Services to the Ethnic Community, International Services, and Cooperation with the IFLA Roundtable on Ethnic and Linguistic Minorities," James Herndon, foreign language librarian, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Special Interest Group on Ethnic Resources at the Library of Congress. Room LM 403, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

The Mary Pickford Theater

"Comes a Horseman," (1978), a film starring Jason Robards, will be screened at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 29.

To make phone reservations, no earlier than one week preceding a screening, call (202) 287-5677, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Stand-bys are admitted 10 minutes before a show to take unclaimed seats. Seating is limited to 64.

Events are open to the public unless otherwise specified.

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Classification numbers are yet included in the authority records. No source data information is present in existing authority records. However, newly created records will carry source data.

MARC Distribution Service—Subject Authorities tapes will be shipped weekly on 9-track tapes at 1600 cpi. The cumulated master file will be available at either 1600 or 6250 cpi. A test tape will be available with a small file of representative records in the USMARC authorities format. *Authorities: A MARC Format* and Update No. 1 will be included with the test tape and subscription service.

The exact availability dates and costs of these products have not yet been established. This information will be published as soon as it is available.

Questions and comments regarding the sale and distribution of MARC Distribution Service—Subject Authorities should be directed to: Customer Services Section, Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541, (202) 287-6171. Questions about subject cataloging policy should be directed to: Chief, Subject Cataloging Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

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